



Volusia & Brevard COUNTIES

A peach-colored sunrise greets residents of these Atlantic Coast communities daily, reminding them that they do indeed live in paradise. Whether you're wanting an action-packed lifestyle, sedentary and peaceful neighborhood to raise a family or, are simply wanting to escape a larger metropolis for some beach time, Volusia and Brevard Counties can accommodate.

Volusia County

Median Age - 46 years

Brevard County

Median Age - 43.9 years

Just the Facts

- American City Business Journals rated Brevard 7th for quality of life out of Florida's 67 counties.
- Volusia County Median household income in 2008 was \$44,845
 - Bizjournals ranks Palm Bay - Melbourne - Titusville, Florida #8 on America's Top 100 Tech Centers list

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Volusia County

Situated on Central Florida's East coast, Volusia County is an ocean lover's paradise thanks to 47 miles of Atlantic beaches and several beachfront cities, including Daytona Beach, Ormond Beach and New Smyrna Beach. With this ample access to water, it would be logical to think that water sports serve as the area's claim to fame. Rather, it's the need for speed that draws many visitors to this renowned destination. Thanks to early automotive pioneers such as Louis Chevrolet and Henry Ford, it was discovered that the hard-packed sands, gentle slopes and wide expanse of Volusia beaches offered the perfect proving ground for early auto racing. Ormond Beach, in fact, is known as the "Birthplace of Speed" and that racing tradition continues today at Daytona International Speedway, one of the world's finest racing facilities and home of the world-famous Daytona 500, an event larger than the Super Bowl.

Volusia County is located about one hour from both Disney World and the Kennedy Space Center. It's an easy drive to Jacksonville to the north or Tampa to the west, or plan a day trip and explore the fascinating city of Miami located approximately 250 miles south.

The county seat is DeLand and the area's largest cities are Deltona, Daytona Beach and Port Orange. The climate is one of the county's most appealing features with average highs ranging from 68 degrees in January to 90 degrees in July.

Access is another bonus thanks to its proximity to the Daytona Beach International Airport, several federal interstates and highways, railroad lines and the Canaveral Port Authority for water-based travel.

Culture and recreation are abundant throughout Volusia County. Visitors and residents alike have a choice of 16 museums and art galleries, 30 golf courses, more than 5,000 acres of parks, nine historical museums and natural history centers, the London Symphony Orchestra, the headquarters for the Ladies Professional Golf Association (LPGA), and several famous attractions, including Daytona **At work...**The area's manufacturing base of more than 450 companies includes numerous medical-related product manufacturers including Tyco Health-care/Kendall, Gambro Renal Products, Command Medical Products, Inc., and Sparton Electronics.

The I-4 high-tech corridor runs through the county, bringing specialized industries in aerospace, automotive and manufacturing. Companies and their employees enjoy a relatively low cost of living, steady economic growth and the benefits of well-planned development.

Daytona Beach provides a dynamic business environment with opportunities for the development and growth of smaller, homegrown businesses and large corporate enterprises. It's a community with a talented and diverse workforce. Qualified businesses may be eligible for federal, state, county and city assistance programs, incentives and opportunities.

Brevard County

Whether you enjoy a sunset sail down the Indian River, a family outing to a pre-season baseball game, a symphony performance, the Mardi Gras festival in Cocoa Village, or a romantic five course dinner at a five star restaurant, you're bound to find plenty of reasons to embrace Brevard County.

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Considered a prime location for recreation, the area features a nearly perfect climate, abundance of waterways, 72 miles of beaches, and over 200 parks. Outdoor enthusiasts and sportsmen alike enjoy the wide variety of outdoor activities including fishing, boating, swimming, surfing, golfing, hiking, camping and biking. In addition, the cultural calendar on the Space Coast is jam packed with outdoor events, festivals, art shows and musical programs every weekend. Indoors, the Maxwell King Center for the Performing Arts leads the way with famous vocalists, plays, comedians and rock stars, not to mention the county's own Brevard Symphony Orchestra. There are many small venues showcasing local talent such as the Henegar Center and Melbourne Auditorium, the Cocoa Village Playhouse, the Surfside Playhouse in Cocoa Beach and Emma Parrish Theater in Titusville.

At work... The Space Coast is rich with an intelligent, innovative and hard working labor force. In fact, Brevard County is privileged to have a dedicated and deep educational system from grade schools to upper level universities that respond to the needs of the business community. And, most importantly, they have a high tech industrial base that's anchored not only by Kennedy Space Center, but also by internationally known companies like Harris Corporation, Northrop Grumman, Rockwell Collins, The Boeing Company and many others. Brevard County's past, present and future leaves the area ideally placed to accommodate innovative companies seeking a highly skilled workforce. The birth of the nation's Space Program in the 1950s served as a catalyst in the attraction of the very best talent to Brevard County, working first at Cape

Canaveral and then at related companies which sprung up around Kennedy Space Center. The area has since witnessed an influx of high-tech companies looking to harness this technological talent. Particular growth has been recorded in the defense and electronics manufacturing sectors. Area companies also tap into the extensive technical skills honed at both Patrick Air Force Base and Cape Canaveral Air Force Station. Upon exiting military service, many of these highly trained individuals opt to remain in Brevard County. Patrick Air Force Base, Cape Canaveral Air Force Station and the Naval Ordnance Test Unit (NOTU) contribute jobs, security and prestige to the Space Coast. Collectively known as the 45th Space Wing, this triad of operations is a major economic driver.

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